

# DRAFT FEDERAL PARTNERS TOUR - The Rio Reimagined

June 6, 2018

**Event:** 6:15am – 6:00pm

Wednesday – June 6, 2018

6:15am – 6:30am	Group Gathering - Federal Agencies	15 min.
	Federal Agencies Arrive at SRP Flight Services	
	Sky Harbor Airport - 2601 E. Air Lane, Phoenix, AZ	
6:30am – 6:45am	Introductions and Overview	15 min.
	SRP Flight Briefing and Orientation	
7:00am – 8:00am	Helicopter Tour of the Project Area	60 min.
	Federal Agencies	
8:00am – 8:30am	Travel back to ASU Fulton Center	30 min.
	ASU Tempe - Fulton Center, 300 E University Drive, Tempe, AZ Lincoln Conference Center – 6th Floor	
8:30am – 9:00am	Continental Breakfast	30 min.
	Breakfast Networking	
9:00am – 9:30am	Urban Waters Federal Partnership Mission	30 min.
	Alignment of Goals and Objectives   Agency Partners   Non-Profit Partners	
9:30am – 10:15pm	Examples of UWFP in River Revitalization	45 min.
	Agency Program Engagement   AZ and Other River Pilot Projects	
10:15am – 11:15am	Community Projects and Planning	
	Key River Restoration Projects   River Corridor Initiatives	
11:15am – 12:15pm	Key Issues and Discussion	60 min.
	USACE, ADEQ, Maricopa County, FCDMC, AZ Game + Fish, BLM	
12:15pm – 1:45pm	Tempe Project Tour	
	Tempe Town Lake Tour with Brown Bag Lunch Provided	
1:45pm – 2:45pm	SRP-MIC Project Tour	
	Va Shly' Ay Akimel	
2:45pm – 3:45pm	Mesa Projects Tour	60 min.
	Granite Reef Dam   Usery Mountain Park, Riverview, Recreation Connections	
4:00pm - 6:00pm	Casual Happy Hour Mixer	120 min
	Four Peaks Brewing Company - 1340 E 8th St #104, Tempe, AZ 85281	



# June 7, 2018

**Event:** 6:00am – 1:45pm

## Thursday – June 7, 2018

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Agencies Arrive at ASU Tempe	
Fulton Center, 300 E University Drive, Tempe, AZ	
Lincoln Conference Center – 6th Floor	
Depart for Site Tours	
ASU Shuttle Bus	
Buckeye Projects Tour	60 min.
Water Treatment Plant   Floodplain   Prototypical Redevelopment - Hidden Lake	
Avondale   Goodyear   Buckeye - Joint Projects Tour	60 min.
El Rio Watercourse   Lower Gila River Restoration Project	
Gila River Indian Community Projects Tour	60 min.
Pee Posh Wetlands   Gila River Wetlands	
Phoenix Project Tour	90 min.
Rio Salado Oeste   Rio Salado Phoenix   Tres Rios Habitat Restoration   Prototypical Brownfields	
Lunch + Closing Discussion	90 min.
Nina Mason Pulliam Rio Salado Audubon Center 3131 S Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85040	
Shuttle back to ASU Tempe – Fulton Center	30 min.
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## LIST OF AGENCIES AND PROGRAM ALIGNMENT

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ABBR.	FEDERAL AGENCY	UWFP PROGRAM INVOLVEMENT
	Corporation for National and Community Service –	
	Economic Development Administration	
EDA	Department of Commerce	
	Economic Development Administration	
DOE	Department of Energy	
ED	Department of Education	
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	
	<ul> <li>Department of Health and Human Services - HHS</li> </ul>	
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development	
DOI	Department of the Interior	NPS - Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance
	<ul><li>Fish and Wildlife Service - FWS</li><li>National Park Service - NPS</li></ul>	USGS - Funding for Mapping Tools
	<ul> <li>Bureau of Reclamation - USBR</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>US Geological Survey - USGS</li></ul>	
CDFI	Department of the Treasury	
	Community Development Financial Institutions	
DHS	Department of Homeland Security	Public Assistance Funds for Flood Plain – Buckeye
	<ul> <li>Federal Emergency Management Agency -</li> </ul>	WWTF
	FEMA	
NIEHS	National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences	
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	
	National Weather Service	
DOD	Department of Defense	
	<ul> <li>United States Army Corps of Engineers - USACE</li> </ul>	
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture	FS – Community Engagement Funds
00271	US Forest Service	FS – Funding to support green jobs for restoration
	<ul> <li>Natural Resource Conservation Service</li> </ul>	within project area
		Wildlife Incentive Program
		Ambassador Funding
EPA	US Environmental Protection Agency	
DHS	United States Department of Homeland Security	
	UWFP Ambassador	Direct resource for convening, reporting, and assisting the Partnership in many other ways including project coordination and federal collaboration.

## POTENTIAL TOUR LOCATIONS

COMMUNITY	SITE   LOCATION	TOPICS	KEY PARTNERS
MESA	Mesa Riverview		
	Recreation	Connecting Open Space Access and Mobility along the River	Forest Service, MC Parks
SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY	Va Shly' Ay Akimel		USACE, EPA,
TEMPE	Tempe Town Lake	Connecting Open Space Access and Mobility along the River	City of Tempe
PHOENIX	Rio Salado Phoenix		
	Rio Salado Oeste		EPA, USACE, ADEQ, City of Phoenix
	Tres Rios Habitat Restoration		EPA, USACE, ADEQ, City of Phoenix
	Prototypical Brownfield – Former Mining	Envisioning the future of rehabilitated brownfield	EPA, ADEQ, City of Phoeni
	Del Rio		
	Prototypical Brownfield – Former Landfill	Envisioning the future of rehabilitated brownfield	EPA, ADEQ, City of Phoeni
GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY	Pee Posh Wetlands		
	Gila River Wetlands		
AVONDALE	El Rio Watercourse		USACE, AZGFD, FCDMC, BLM, MC Parks, Audubon
GOODYEAR	El Rio Watercourse		USACE, BLM, AZGFD, FCDMC, MC Parks, Audubon
BÜCKEYE	El Rio Watercourse		USACE, BLM, AZGFD, FCDMC, MC Parks, Audubon
	Waste Water Treatment Plant		USACE
	Hidden Lake	Redevelopment of Brownfield to Private Recreation	EPA,
	Floodplain		USACE, FEMA, MCFCD,
MARICOPA COUNTY	40 Acre Pilot Revegetation Project		MCFCD,
	Confluence		
SALT RIVER PROJECT	Existing Water Infrastructure		
	Metro and Transit Connections to the River Corridor		
	Arts and Community Engagement		

#### MISSION ALIGNMENTS WITH THE URBAN WATERS FEDERAL PARTNERSHIP



#### US Department of Agriculture | USDA

The missions of USDA Forest Service and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Promote all-lands conservation
- Connect the US along the rural-urban gradient
- Conduct ecological and social science research on urban ecosystems
- Engage the public in urban natural resources stewardship public education, job training, volunteer action
- Support green jobs
- Create public-private partnerships
- Implement watershed forestry projects
- Reconnect people to their waterways through science, management and technology transfer
- Work to revitalize and stabilize communities in economically distressed areas



#### Housing and Urban Development | HUD

The missions of HUD and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Leverage \$14M in sustainability grants via HUD's Sustainable Communities Planning and Challenge grant programs
- Integrate housing, land use, economic development, transportation, and infrastructure investments in ways that foster healthy communities and residents
- Partner to revitalize distressed lands along urban waterways
- Improve access and education for communities along waterways
- Connect low to moderate- income community stakeholders to projects that affect them



#### Department of Interior | DOI

The goals of the America's Great Outdoors initiative align with those of the Urban Waters Partnership in the following ways:

- Reconnect Americans, especially children, to US rivers and waterways, landscapes of national significance, ranches, farms and forests, great parks and coasts and beaches by:
  - o promoting community-based recreation and conservation, including local parks, greenways, beaches and waterways
  - o advancing job and volunteer opportunities related to conservation and outdoor recreation
  - o supporting existing programs and projects that educate and engage Americans in our history, culture, and natural bounty

- Build upon State, local, private and tribal priorities for the conservation of land, water, wildlife, historic and cultural
  resources, creating corridors and connectivity across these outdoor spaces and determine how the Federal
  Government can best advance those priorities with public-private partnerships and locally supported strategies.
- Use science-based management practices to restore and protect our lands and waters for future generations.



#### Environmental Protection Agency | EPA

The missions of EPA and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Use all tools at our disposal to protect US waters
- Work at community level to provide safe, healthy and accessible outdoor spaces
- Focus on economically distressed communities, and work to create jobs
- Create new and innovative partnerships
- Recognize and build on local efforts and leadership, by engaging and serving community partners
- Engage communities in activities that increase their stewardship of local urban waterways



#### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention | CDC

The missions of CDC and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Healthy and accessible urban waters
- Protecting public and environmental health
- Reconnecting people in underserved communities with their waterways
- Engaging and serving community partners



#### Corporation for National & Community Service | NCS

The missions of CNCS and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Engaging and serving economically distressed communities
- Strengthening communities and developing leaders
- Recognizing and building on local efforts and leadership by engaging and serving community partners



#### National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences | NIEHS

In August 2012, NIEHS released its Strategic Plan for 2012-2017 after over a year of input from the Environmental Health Sciences community and other stakeholders. The NIEHS Strategic Plan reflects identified themes and goals from the Strategic Planning process to help NIEHS with efforts to support and move forward our mission and vision. Current goals from the NIEHS 2012-2017 Strategic Plan that align with the mission and strategies of the Urban Waters Federal Partnership include:

- Evaluating the economic impact of policies, practices, and behaviors that reduce exposure to environmental toxicants, through prevention of disease and disabilities, and invest in research programs to test how prevention improves public health and minimizes economic burden.
- Promoting bidirectional communication and collaboration between researchers and stakeholders, e.g., policy-makers, clinicians, intervention and prevention practitioners, and the public, in order to advance research translation in the environmental health sciences.
- Enhancing the teaching of Environmental Health Sciences at all levels of education and training kindergarten through professional to increase scientific literacy and generate awareness of the health consequences of environmental exposures.



#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration | NOAA

The missions of NOAA and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Coastal management and restoration
- Improving and sustaining economic vitality by revitalizing urban waters
- Achieving healthy oceans and coasts by protecting the quality of rivers and watersheds



### United States Army Corps of Engineers | USACE

The missions of USACE and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Establishing strong partnerships with community-based organizations and local governments
- Leveraging existing community assets as well as federal resources to serve local needs
- Protecting urban water resources that are valuable to the health and safety of communities



#### Department of Energy | DOE

The missions of EERE and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Develop approaches that can accelerate economic growth and job creation while improving the environment by both reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving air and water quality.
- Ensure diversity and choice in the way energy services are produced
- Provide American businesses and households with low-cost energy services by creating low cost renewable supplies and energy efficient products and systems
- Insulate the U.S. economy from the price and supply uncertainties associated with petroleum

#### Shared priorities also include:

Interagency coordination and issue resolution



#### Department of Transportation | DOT

The missions of DOT and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

 Integrate environmental sustainability into all work being done, including reducing water quality impacts of transportation infrastructure

#### Shared priorities also include:

- Interagency coordination and issue resolution
- Environmentally sensitive decision making Grant funding for safer, more sustainable infrastructure



### Economic Development Administration | EDA

The missions of EDA and the Partnership are strategically aligned based on the following goals:

- Foster healthy and accessible urban waterways to help catalyze local economic revitalization
- Collaborate regionally to leverage resources and work together to overcome economic challenges
- Support development of an urban waters-friendly national policy
- Make urban waters a funding priority
- Cultivate long-term jobs



#### Department of Education | DOE

The Department of Education has many initiatives that dovetail with the mission and principles of the Partnership to increase environmental protection, economic revitalization and connecting people to their urban waters. One initiative, U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon Schools (ED-GRS), is an example of a perfect fit with the UWFP principals. Through this initiative, the Department of Education communicates best practices and resources in the areas of facilities, health and environment.



#### Flood Emergency Management Administration | FEMA

FEMA approves projects through its supplemental Public Assistance grant that align with the work of the Urban Waters Federal Partnership in several ways. Providing ways for people to access the water and enjoy recreational activities is an essential part of restoring urban waterways and revitalizing the surrounding communities. The Public Assistance program works with state and local officials to fund recovery measures and the rebuilding of government and certain private nonprofit organizations' buildings, as well as roads, bridges and water and sewer plants.



#### Community Development Financial Institutions | CDFIs

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) are private financial institutions that are dedicated to delivering responsible, affordable lending to help low-income, low-wealth, and other disadvantaged people and communities. Since its inception in 1994, the CDFI Fund has built a nation-wide network of CDFIs committed to ensuring that underserved communities have access to quality, affordable, and credible financial services. The CDFI Fund supports the mission-driven financial institutions working on a local level that know their communities best. By financing community businesses—including small businesses, microenterprises, nonprofit organizations, commercial real estate, and affordable housing—CDFIs spark job growth and retention in hard-to serve markets across the nation.